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Charleston S^c Carolina 15th July 1785.

Gentlemen,

On the 7th Instant I had the pleasure of your favor of the 21st Ult^o — your request in the first part of which, will be fully answered by M^r. Geo. A. Hall who sailed some days ago in Capt Strong for Philadelphia in his way to New York, & as I made him acquainted with the requisition of the Delegates respecting the 115,000 Dollars, he will be prepared to remove the doubt that seems to exist; by M^r. Hall I wrote you on the subject. —

In my letter of the 24th of June, I mentioned that the Commission appointed by Congress to treat with the Indian Tribes from the Chesapeake southwardly, had met in this City, & that they had been supplied with the sum of £200 sterling from the Contingent fund of this State, for the purpose of the Commission — I did myself the honor of communicating this early information to you, because, I foresaw should Congress not point out some other mode of defraying the expenses that must attend that business than the one they have, it will be frustrated, the Contingent sum in our Treasury is only £1000, & it is fixed to local Calls, & not more than adequate thereto, it cannot be drawn out for entire federal purposes, exclusive of its being insufficient.

and as the meeting of the different Tribes is appointed to be by the Commissioners prior to the meeting of the Legislature, there cannot be any provision made to answer the exigencies of the Treaty — I also mentioned that the States of Georgia & N^o Carolina did not show any forwardness to support the Treaty by granting money for the purpose.

In mentioning that part of your letter respecting the assumptions of this State, in the Continental expenses, to Capt^l Thiers, he says the Auditor received all claims of Individuals against the Continent of the State in a manner, so blended one with another, that there is no possibility of ascertaining the amount of those against the United States untill the accounts are dissected. and as Doctor Ramsey may recollect a conversation he had with the Continental Commissioner upon this subject, he may probably recollect the information that was given respecting those assumptions — however I shall be very particular to impress Capt^l Thiers & the Auditor also, with the absolute

necessity of being supported with proper Vouchers; Tho as many of the accounts have been already assumed by the State, of Individuals against the Continent, the matter must rest there until it has been adjusted & settled by Congress.

In consequence of an application from Mr Geo. Meade for the payment of the balance upon the subscription loan to the Citizens of Sth Carol. of Georgia when in Philadelphia, amounting to \$252 dollars. I have wrote to the Governor of Georgia desiring to be furnished with the amount that the Citizens of that State have received; & requesting to be informed what steps were taken to liquidate the debt - for by Mr Meade, ant^{ly} the sum of 12,252 dollars was advanced, 8,000 of which he has received from this State, by which I was led to conclude it must have been appropriated to the relief of the Citizens of Georgia, you found the application to the Governor of that State.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient
humble servant,

To the Delegates of the
State of Sth Carolina
Congress -

W^m. Moultrie

Charleston S. C. 30th July 1785

Gentlemen,

The opportunity by which this was at first intended to be sent being mist, leaves me room to add, that Captain Tate accepts the appointment Congress have honoured him with of being one of the Surveyors of the new territory: he wishes to know whether there is a particular rendezvous, & where, - if distinct parts of the Territory will be allotted to each Surveyor & lastly if he is allowed or can employ assistants; -

I shall thank you to give me the earliest information relative to these points - as Capt Tate would be glad to know each particular before he sets out - I have the honor to be

Gentlemen
Your most obt

Wm. Montcrieff